

**AGENDA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
July 24, 2007
7:00 p.m.
Town Building**

Public Input

Chairman's Comments

Town Administrator's Report

Meeting Minutes

Visitors

- 7:15 p.m. TV Monitor in Town Building Lobby – Lew Halprin
- 7:25 p.m. NRSD Audit Advisory Committee -- Joint Appointment with Finance Committee

7:30 p.m. Joint Boards: Snow Property Proposals and Land Use Strategy Committee

Action/Discussion

- Warrant for September 4 state primary election
- Confirmation of MSBA Statements of Interest vote
- Town Administrator's Review
- Town Administrator's Contract Renewal
- Appointments to Zoning Board of Appeals
- Support of Municipal Partnership Act
- Dunster Drive Ch 61 land
- Public notice of Dept of Ag Resources interest in APR purchase

MSBA Update

- Recommended Stow officials and NRSD officials for SBC; selectmen's designee

Action Item Follow-up

All: Review Municipal Partnership Act; Recommend Town positions for SBC

Ellen: Snow proposal criteria; Finalize MSBA letter and SBC posting.

Jason: SOP Table of Contents

Steve: Rail Trail representation; Schedule Montachusett RTA.

Tom: RFP timing re Town Meeting; Red Acre Road speed change

Bill: SOP Table of Contents; Affordable housing advice from DHCD; Red Acre Road speed change; Ch61 re Dunster Drive

Susan: Snow Joint Boards and proposal criteria; SMOC ADDI support; MAPC alternate; Dunster Drive responses; P&S to Board; MSBA letter; selectmen's liaison/committee assignments.

Selectmen's Master Planning

- Affordable housing driver

Liaison Reports, if any

Correspondence: Town

Building Permit Report for June

ZBA decision re Assabet Water and request for appointments, rec'd 7/11

Affordable Housing Deed Restriction Program description, rec'd 7/13

MSBA request for priority building project, rec'd 7/19

Correspondence: General

MAPC Transportation Improvement Plan draft, rec'd 7/9

Dept of Environ Protection notice of municipal sustainability and waste site clean-up grants, rec'd 7/12/07

Dept of Telecom and Cable reorg notice, rec'd 7/18

Boston MPO Transportation Report for July

Adjournment

Posted 7/20/07

Susan McLaughlin

From: Susan McLaughlin [selectmen@stow-ma.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2007 5:10 PM
To: Terri Cole; Pat Perry; Mike Kopczynski; Mike Busch; Michael Wood; Margie Lynch; Marcia Rising; Lynn colletti; Liz Painter; Lisa McNiff; Linda Hathaway; Linda DeStasi; Laura Greenough; Kay Desmond; Kathy Sferra; Karen Kelleher; Karen Gray; Judith Scraggs; JT Toole; John Bolton; Jim Sauta; Jean Lynch; Ernie Dodd; Ed Tarnuzzer; Dotty Wilbur; Don Rising; Deb Seith; David Horne; Dave Soar; Craig Martin; Conray Wharff; Charles Kern; Bruce Fletcher; Brian Burke; Bob Wilber; Bob Larkin; Bob Barrell; Beth Tobey (W)
Cc: Bill Wrigley; Ellen Sturgis; Jason Robart; Kathleen Farrell; Steve Dungan; Tom Ruggiero
Subject: Joint Boards on Snow property and land-use strategy, Tues, 7/24, 7:30pm

Hello, Town Boards.

The selectmen are hosting a joint boards meeting on Tuesday, July 24, at 7:30pm in the Town Building for the following purposes:

Part 1 – Proposals for Use of the Snow Property

This part of the meeting is to hear proposals from the stakeholders in the Snow property and to evaluate specific uses for the land. The known stakeholders are listed below. Recommended criteria for evaluating the proposals will be available soon.

- Agriculture Commission
- Community Preservation
- Conservation
- Council on Aging
- Fire/Rescue
- Housing Partnership
- Schools
- Recreation

Part 2 – Creation of a Land Use Task Force

This part of the meeting is to hear and discuss the selectmen's proposal for a land-use strategy to meet Stow's current and future needs.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know.

Thank you.
Susan
897-4515

7/20/2007

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From: Susan McLaughlin [selectmen@stow-ma.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2007 9:41 AM
To: Terri Cole; Pat Perry; Mike Kopczynski; Mike Busch; Michael Wood; Margie Lynch; Marcia Rising; Lynn colletti; Liz Painter; Lisa McNiff; Linda Hathaway; Linda DeStasi; Laura Greenough; Kay Desmond; Kathy Sferra; Karen Kelleher; Karen Gray; Judith Scraggs; JT Toole; John Bolton; Jim Sauta; Jean Lynch; Ernie Dodd; Ed Tarnuzzer; Dotty Wilbur; Don Rising; Deb Seith; David Horne; Dave Soar; Craig Martin; Conray Wharff; Charles Kern; Bruce Fletcher; Brian Burke; Bob Wilber; Bob Larkin; Bob Barrell; Beth Tobey (W)
Cc: Bill Wrigley; Ellen Sturgis; Jason Robart; Kathleen Farrell; Steve Dungan; Tom Ruggiero
Subject: RE: Joint Boards on Snow property and land-use strategy, Tues, 7/24, 7:30pm

Good morning,

This is a follow-up message for the Snow property meeting next Tuesday.

Here is a list of criteria for proposing and evaluating the land's use. After that are lists of potential stakeholders and suggested groups to evaluate the proposals.

Criteria:

- Use (as specific as possible)
- Population served
- Acreage needed
- Urgency of need
- Additional work and cost to meet need (e.g. building)
- Potential to share land with other users
- Source of funds for purchase (Town Meeting, grants, CPA fund, etc.)
- Does the proposed use satisfy a need identified by the Master Plan?

Stakeholders:

- Agriculture Commission
- Community Preservation
- Conservation
- Council on Aging
- Fire/Rescue
- Housing Partnership
- Schools
- Recreation

Advisors/Evaluators

- Assessors
- Capital Planning
- Finance
- Health
- Master Plan
- Planning
- ZBA

7/20/2007

Following the Snow property evaluations, the selectmen will propose the creation of a land-use strategy to meet Stow's current and future needs.

Thank you.
Susan
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Governor

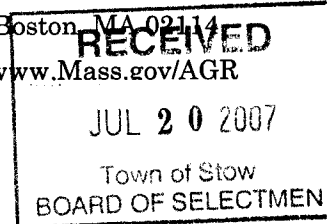
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Lieutenant Governor

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Secretary

SCOTT J. SOARES
Acting Commissioner

July 18 2007

Chairperson
Board of Selectmen
Town of Stow
380 Great Road
Stow, MA 01775-2127

RE: Assessor Map R-3, Lot 12 – Great Road

Dear Chairperson:

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 7, Section 40I requires that the Department of Agricultural Resources (DAR) notify the local City Council/Board of Selectmen of the State's intent to purchase, rent, sell or significantly change the use of one or more acres of real estate in a municipality.

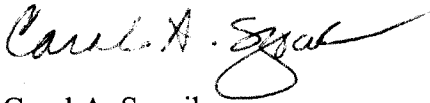
Pursuant to that Section, we wish to inform you that the DAR is considering acquiring an interest in approximately 7.6 acres of land within the municipality of Stow for inclusion in the Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) Program as an Agricultural Preservation Restriction.

The property in question, which is currently used for agricultural purposes, is privately owned and will remain so if it becomes a participant in the APR Program. The development rights would be acquired to secure the preservation of the land for agricultural purposes as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 20, Sections 23 through 26 and Chapter 184, Sections 31,32, and 33.

Section 40I also requires that this proposal be made public in a local forum. We request that you announce that we are considering the above purchase for the stated purpose at your next regularly scheduled City Council/Board of Selectmen meeting. The Council/Board need not take any formal action concerning the proposed acquisition as the announcement is for information purposes only. Please complete and return the enclosed form after your meeting has been held so that we may document your announcement.

If you or any resident have a questions regarding this proposed acquisition, please feel free to contact me at (671) 626-1718. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol A. Szocik".

Carol A. Szocik
Legal Assistant

cc: Senator Resor, Representative Walrath, Metropolitan Area Planning Council, DCAM

for
Jason

Tyler

CONFIRMATION OF NOTICE

(MGL Chapter 7, Section 401)

I, _____, Clerk of the City Council/Board of Selectmen for the
city/town of _____, Massachusetts, do hereby certify that on
_____, 20____, it was announced at a public meeting of the City
Council/Board of Selectmen that the Department of Agricultural Resources is considering
the acquisition of the property described in the attached letter dated July 18, 2007.

By:

Clerk of the City Council/Board of Selectmen